

LABORING TO UNITE THE PARTY

Parker and Gorman Plan to Bring All Factions Together.

CLEVELAND WILL NOT TAKE STUMP

Candidate Is Very Encouraged Over the Situation and Expects Success at the Polls. What Clark Says of the Far West.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, September 30.—Judge Parker returned to Rosemont this evening, where he will stay until next Tuesday, when he intends to return to New York. His visits here will continue until the close of the campaign. He has engaged his present quarters at the Seville for that time and has fitted them up for an office.

At Rosemont in the future days, he will weekly spend there, he will handle the bulk of his large correspondence and take the open air exercise, which is necessary to his physical comfort. He will also prepare several short addresses, although the manner of their delivery is not settled. Next week he will attend a reception at the Manhattan Club, and he is expected also to attend a general reception, which is to be given at Madison Square Garden under the auspices of the Manhattan Democratic and Brooklyn Democratic Clubs.

Clark Hopeful of West.

Callers arrived early at the Seville today. W. S. Rodie and William F. Sheehan came in time for breakfast. Judge Parker rose about 6 o'clock and took a long walk before breakfast. After breakfast, Senator Clark, of Montana, came to continue the conference which he began yesterday. Senator Clark spoke hopefully of prospects in the Rocky Mountain States, and said that the Democrats would carry Montana, Nevada and Colorado, and possibly Idaho. John Sharp Williams, junched with Judge Parker and discussed the work of the literary and speakers' bureau, which he will supervise from now on. Colonel Honey reported the Rhode Island situation as favorable. Callers who talked with Judge Parker said that he felt cheerful about the prospects of the campaign and was especially sanguine about the result in New York State, where he believes both the national and the State tickets will have a safe majority.

North Carolina.

Dr. T. D. Hogg, one of the oldest, most prominent and wealthy citizens of Raleigh, throws himself in front of a shifting engine and is killed.—Earl Bullin, of Winston-Salem, shot and killed by Jerome C. Kinney while entering the latter's Negro who had been indicted under wrong name is set free. Horse thieves operating in the two States are caught and own up.

General.

Oyama begins long expected advance upon the Russian army at Mukden and a simultaneous movement against Sin-Min-Tun; a concentration of the forces in the vicinity of the Yental mines is reported; Kuropatkin's outposts have been driven back after sharp fighting near Mukden; Russian report says Japanese were killed or wounded during the siege; important changes in Russian military and naval commands.—Iridad, Col., struck by flood; houses wrecked and vast region devastated; damage will reach million dollars; families displaced; several people missing.—Judge Parker leaves New York for Rosemont; is more hopeful over the situation; Cleveland not to speak in the campaign; Republicans resign hope of capturing electoral votes of West Virginia.—Postmaster-General Payne will in critical condition by application of minority stockholders for an injunction.—Archbishop of Canterbury attends meeting of Brotherhood of St. Andrew.—D. Leonard wins horse stake at Faversham.—Both New York and Boston defeated yesterday; Chicago now see the pennant.—Improvement Secretary Hay definitely consents to remain head of State Department; if Republican House to be held Monday; Governor of Ohio issues proclamation and President sends message.

QUESTION OF NEGRO BARS CHURCH UNION

Southern Presbyterians Vote Against Consolidation Because Northerners Admit Black Men.

(By Associated Press.) COLUMBIA, S. C., September 30.—The second presbytery of the Associated Reformed Presbyterian Synod convened at Clinton yesterday, and is still in session, with a full representation of the churches. To-day a vote was taken on the proposition to unite with the United Presbyterian Church, and the expression was unfavorable to the proposition by a vote of 81 to 8. This is the first of the eight or ten presbyteries of the Associated Reformed Presbyterian Synod to vote on this question. The others will vote within the next few months. The chief objection to union with the Northern Church, as brought out at the meetings, is the negro, the Northern Church admitting negroes to membership. The second presbytery includes all of the churches in Georgia and some in South Carolina. There are about thirty-five delegates to the presbytery, nearly all the churches being represented.



CAN IT LAST FOUR YEARS MORE?

BABY THROWN FROM TRAIN HOLD UP THE IS JACKSON FROM TRAIN BIG MERGER THE WINNER?

The Body of an Infant Is Found in the Blue Ridge Tunnel.

YOUNG MAN DRINKS ACID

Killed Himself After a Quarrel With His Father—A Child Burned.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) AFTON, VA., September 30.—The body of a white male infant was found by the watchman, T. W. Layne, in the Blue Ridge tunnel last night. It is believed the west-bound train by some passenger. It was a well formed, fine baby, wrapped in a paste board box.

The Chesapeake and Ohio officials turned it over to the Nelson county authorities, who will bury it, and make further investigation.

Boys Herring, a young white man, twenty-one years of age, of Basic City, committed suicide Wednesday afternoon by swallowing two ounces of carbolic acid. He purchased the poison at the drugstore, went out on the street in front of Jennings's store, and said to some companions, "You don't think I'm game; watch me drink this down."

A physician was called, who tried to pull him through, but he died in thirty minutes.

He had a quarrel with his father, whom he told "he just as well get a box ready," he was going to kill himself. His father thought it was only talk, and paid no attention to it.

He was a single man. The body was turned over to the father for burial. Little Foster Saunders, the youngest son of W. Bailey Saunders, was painfully burned on the head and face by the breaking of a hot water bottle at the hotel on Saturday. His injuries were at first thought serious, but he is getting along very well.

HAVANA TOBACCO MEN THINK DECISION UNJUST

(By Associated Press.) HAVANA, September 30.—Clear manufacturers here regard the decision of the United States Treasury Department in the cigar stamp case as unjust to Cuban interests. They see no reason for protecting manufacturers in the United States to the extent of removing the only conspicuous evidence that the contents of a box of cigars was imported. The decision having already been announced, it is doubtful whether the Cuban government will make representations on the subject to Washington. Manufacturers, however, may adopt the customs of conspicuously branding cigar boxes with the words, "Made in Havana."

Lady Curzon Still Improving.

(By Associated Press.) WALSHER CASTLE, IRELAND, Sept. 30.—Mrs. M. Lady Curzon has passed a very comfortable day.

Application Made in Trenton for Injunction Against Tobacco Trust.

COMPANIES MET YESTERDAY

Stockholders Vote, But Final Action Is Forbidden Until Court's Decision.

TRENTON, N. J., September 30.—Justice Pitney yesterday ordered that the Consolidated Tobacco Company, the American Tobacco Company and the Continental Tobacco Company show cause at Newark, October 11th, why an injunction should not be issued according to a bill of complaint filed by Alan H. Strong for Julius B. Ikeheimer, of New York, Henry Kessel, of Arverne, N. Y., and James M. Rankin, of Jersey City. The complainants are stockholders in the companies and want them prevented from merging. Justice Pitney also ordered that until further notice the defendants, their officers, attorneys and agents refrain from all further acts and proceedings whatsoever toward the merger, except that the vote of the stockholders be taken on the question of adoption of the merger.

COMPANIES MEET, BUT DEFER FINAL ACTION

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, September 30.—Meetings of the American, the Consolidated and the Continental Tobacco Companies were held in Jersey City to-day, for action on the agreement for the merger or consolidation of the three companies, which had been adopted by the directors of the

SAYS CHAPPELLE WILL NOT RESIGN

Vatican Not Dissatisfied With Action He Took in Famous Marriage.

(By Associated Press.) ROME, Sept. 30.—The assertion telegraphed from Rome by a news agency that Archbishop Chappelle, of New Orleans, is likely to resign his appointment as apostolic delegate to Cuba and Porto Rico, is emphatically denied on the highest authority at the Vatican. The propaganda is thoroughly satisfied with Archbishop Chappelle's work, both in New Orleans and in the Antilles. Furthermore, there is no dissatisfaction regarding the part the Archbishop took in the marriage of Miss Marie Reid, of New Orleans (now Princess Rosapoli), to Colonel Fred H. Purkhurst, of Bangor, Maine.

Interesting Turn in Jefferson Ward Council Fight.

MR. PHIL KELLY RETIRES

His Friends for Most Part Go to Jackson, and Both Sides Confident.

The long and bitter struggle, which has engendered so much ill-feeling in councilmanic circles, over the selection of a successor to the late Phil Shea, member of the lower branch from Jefferson Ward, took a turn yesterday, which many think will result in the choice of Mr. A. D. Jackson, a dark horse, Mr. Phil Kelly having withdrawn. In retiring Mr. Kelly, so far as is known, announced no choice between Mr. O. L. Gates, his erstwhile opponent, who is still in the field, and Mr. Jackson. He simply retired. Nor could Mr. Jackson be called a "dark horse" in the strictest sense, having started out with three or four votes sticking to him.

But the Kelly people fall over one another to get to Jackson, and last night the latter's friends were putting up stiff claims that he would "come under the wire" an easy winner.

On the other hand the supporters of Mr. Gates, while evidently not altogether satisfied with the turn matters had taken, are still claiming the election of their friend with much confidence. The fight was reeking with the gall of bitterness, and it threatened to split the Council wide open and make factions, which would line up against one another in the future on the slightest provocation.

Time for Action.

Some of the wiser leaders saw this result staring them in the face, and determined that it should not be so. One of them, who is widely known for his foresight, and who had promised to vote for Mr. Gates, wrote that gentleman and asked to be released. And while one of the Gates managers said last night he would not be released, still it is said that this gentleman will vote for a third man, because he does not desire to see the bitter fight continued, and because he places harmony in the body above the interests of any one candidate. The charge is made that Mr. Gates voted for McKinley in 1896. Mr. Gates admits, but says he was sent to the recent State convention as a Democrat. This is met by saying that the people did not pass upon his claims, but that he was selected by a committee. Mr. Jackson is head bookkeeper for Rothert & Company, of this city, and is a man of wide acquaintance and popularity. The fight seems very close, and a lively time is expected when the Council meets Monday night.

TRINIDAD STRUCK BY BIG FLOOD

Vast Region Devastated, and Losses Will Reach a Million Dollars.

FAMILIES DESOLATE; PEOPLE MISSING

Every Bridge Washed Out Station Demolished, Railroads Tied Up, Hotel and Houses Wrecked—Citizens Paddle Through Streets Rescuing Others.

(By Associated Press.) TRINIDAD, COL., September 30.—A terrific flood has struck the city of Trinidad and the entire valley along the Las Animas River, devastating a vast region and causing a loss which will reach one million dollars. So far as known there was no loss of life, but several are reported missing.

Every bridge in the city of Trinidad is out, the Santa Fe station is demolished, all of the railroads are tied up, and the telephone and telegraphic service is completely suspended. More than thirty city blocks in the residence and business portions were from two to three feet under water along the river.

Heavy Rains. The flood was caused by a heavy rain, which has been falling for two days. At 8 o'clock last night, the storm assumed cloudburst proportions, and at 9 o'clock this morning the Las Animas River went over its banks. At 3:30 it was impossible to get within a block of the river bed at any point, and Commercial Street was flooded for three blocks in the heart of the business district. Meantime, the electric light and gas plants had been flooded, and the city was in complete darkness. Hundreds of citizens thronged the streets on the edge of the submerged district carrying lanterns and doing their best to provide shelter for those driven from home.

Families Rescued.

Warning of the flood was given when the river left its banks, revolver shots and the ringing of the fire alarm, following the blowing of all the locomotive and shop whistles in town. Citizens upon rafts made of sections of sidewalks paddled through the streets rescuing families which were in danger. The new Bacon Hotel, a two-story structure, just nearing completion at a cost of \$20,000, on the river bank, was destroyed. The water then ate its way through fifty feet of ground to the Santa Fe depot, which was carried away. The Cardenas Hotel, adjoining, barely escaped a similar fate, an acre of ground being washed away near it. The Rio Grand Bridge at El Moro is out and the Santa Fe right of way in many places has been washed away. Railroad traffic is entirely suspended and business here is paralyzed.

It was reported to-day that the flood was due to a break in the city reservoir, but this is erroneous. The reservoir is safe.

IS KILLED BY ACCIDENT WHILE OUT HUNTING

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LAUREL, DEWILLE, VA., Sept. 30.—Shelton, the fifteen-year-old son of Mr. J. T. Roberts, a prominent citizen and farmer, who resides near Dolphin, Potomac county, was killed yesterday while hunting squirrels near his father's home, by the accidental discharge of his gun, which killed him instantly.

He had laid his gun on the ground, and in picking up some caught birds, of the muzzle, and in pulling it towards him the hammer of one barrel struck an obstruction of some kind, causing the gun to go off, the whole load entering the stomach.

Verdict for Plaintiff.

In the Law and Equity Court yesterday, in the case of Mrs. Francis Cardwell vs. the Richmond Traction Company, the jury awarded a verdict for the plaintiff for \$1,250. The suit was instituted for \$5,000.

AMERICAN MAIL RIFLED ON TRAIN

Bold Robbery Committed in Car Running Between Havre and Paris.

(By Associated Press.) PARIS, September 30.—A bold robbery was committed yesterday evening on a mail car between Paris and Havre, containing a quantity of American mail. The train, which left here at midnight had two mail cars. The first was an ordinary mail car, in which the distribution was going on. The second car was entirely given up to mail for the United States. There were about 100 mail pouches on this car, which were sealed and heavily locked. On arriving at Rouen early this morning it was found that the American mail car had been broken open and that the pouches were in great disorder. Ninety-one bags had been opened and their contents rifled of such valuables as they may have contained. There is no record of their contents or of the valuables abstracted. The robbery was reported to the postal headquarters here and a number of inspectors were detailed to investigate it. Thus far they have found no clue to the robbers.

JAPANESE VICTORS IN BIG BATTLE

Report From Shanghai Says General Engagement Has Occurred.

OYAMA HURLS ARMY AT MUKDEN

Long Expected Advance Begins and Important Town Is Occupied—Russians Fix the Japanese Losses at Port Arthur at 45,000.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Oct. 1.—According to the Morning Post's Shanghai correspondent, it is reported there that the Japanese have been victorious in a general engagement at Mukden.

The failure of the latest Japanese attempt to drive out the Port Arthur fleet and reduce the fortress has led, according to the Daily Telegraph's Chefoo correspondent, to the decision that the Japanese must go into winter quarters, Japanese officers admitting that General Stoessel is making a superb stand.

ADVANCE BEGINS

Oyama Moves Entire Force, Paying Particular Attention to the East Front.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 1, 2:10 A. M.—The war office at a late hour of the night gave out a telegram from General Sakharoff, dated September 30th, describing a successful onslaught upon a Japanese advance guard near Yental on September 28th. The Japanese began the fight by attacking a position held by the Russians at Oulitadze, twenty miles south of the Hun River. The Russians withdrew and then counterattacked and occupied the enemy's position at Yental, north of Yental, and drove the Japanese as far as Yental station, losing only four men wounded, whereas the Japanese lost twenty killed or wounded.

General Sakharoff further reports that a reconnaissance of September 29th showed that the Japanese force was concentrating in increasing numbers along the Yental branch of the railroad, and that there is also a considerable concentration of the Japanese along the Taitse River, near Bismulung. It is admitted that the Japanese advance has already begun along the whole line, assuming its most active form in the east, whither Field Marshal Oyama continues to draft large forces. Operations are also progressing west of the railroad.

The Associated Press' Harbin dispatch contains the important announcement that the Japanese occupied Siabeyho, west of the Liao River, from which point they are evidently threatening Sin Min Tun.

Sharp Fighting Near Mukden.

September 28th, 1904. From a reliable source the Associated Press hears that sharp fighting has occurred near Mukden, resulting in the Japanese driving in General Kuropatkin's outposts. Important dispatches have been received and transmitted to the emperor. They are believed to confirm the Associated Press' information. The general staff, however, is unable at present to go beyond the positive assurance that the main Russian army is still at Mukden.

General Sakharoff reports that between September 18th and 29th there were several skirmishes in the Yental District, all of which resulted favorably to the Russians. The Japanese are now poised before Yental station. General Sakharoff adds, have been reinforced. On September 26th, strong vanguard of Japanese was encountered on the mandarin road and driven back to Yental, losing twenty in killed and wounded.

MASSING AT YENTAL.

Strong Japanese Force Occupies Siabeyho, South of Sin-Min-Tun.

(By Associated Press.) HARBIN, September 30.—Russian scouts have ascertained that fresh Japanese forces are concentrating at the Yental mines and gradually moving eastward. A strong Japanese force west of the Liao Valley has occupied Siabeyho, south of Sin Min Tun.

A company of Chinese handbills last night tried to wreck the railroad near the station of Pantiatun, 150 miles south of Harbin. They killed a sentinel and caused slight damage. A detachment of guards was sent in pursuit of the handbills. The railway track was repaired by morning.

COLLISION IMMINENT.

Preparation for Japanese Advance Completed—Have Assumed Defensive at Yental.

(By Associated Press.)

MUKDEN, September 30.—A great change in the situation here has occurred. The Japanese now appear anxious to act on the defensive and have fortified a position northwest of the Yental mines. According to the best obtainable estimates, the Japanese army confronting General Kuropatkin comprises a grand total of 100,000 men, allowing 80,000 men to the Russians. There are 14,000 in the

79 WANT HELP TO-DAY.

The 79 advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Dispatch on page 8 are as follows:

- 1 Teacher.
- 3 Domestic.
- 1 Clerk.
- 9 Salesmen.
- 3 Trades.
- 60 Miscellaneous.
- 2 Agents.

This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.